

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION of:

MASUMOTO

Application No.: 09/688,695

Filed: October 17, 2000

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents.

Contingent Request Under Rule 97(c): Should a first action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this IDS is filed, please accept this IDS under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 061069/274443 and proceed to consider this IDS.

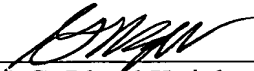
This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the

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enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited.

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